

I claim as my Invention:

1           1.    A combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder,  
2 comprising:

3           a holder body having a holder body outer surface made up of an  
4 outer body surface top portion, an outer surface side portion and  
5 an outer body surface bottom portion;

6           at least one toothbrush receiving port opening through said  
7 holder body outer surface into said holder body and sized in  
8 diameter to receive a correspondingly sized toothbrush and  
9 extending to a sufficient depth to retain the toothbrush;

10          and at least one toothpaste tube receiving port opening  
11 through said holder body outer surface into said holder body and  
12 sized in diameter to receive a correspondingly sized toothpaste  
13 tube and extending to a sufficient depth to retain the toothpaste  
14 tube.

1           2.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2 claim 1, wherein said toothbrush receiving port opens through the  
3 outer surface top portion downwardly into said holder body to  
4 retain a toothbrush in an upright position, and wherein said  
5 toothpaste tube receiving port opens through the outer surface top  
6 portion downwardly into said holder body to retain a toothpaste  
7 tube in an upright position.

1           3.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 2, comprising at least four toothbrush receiving ports.

1           4.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 2, wherein said tooth brush receiving ports have  
3   substantially equal diameters.

1           5.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 2, wherein said tooth brush receiving ports have diameters of  
3   varying sizes to receive tooth brushes of correspondingly varying  
4   sizes.

1           6.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 1, wherein said holder body is substantially cylindrical with  
3   an upright cylinder axis and has a horizontal cross-section which  
4   is one of: square, triangular and round.

1           7.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 1, wherein said holder body is hollow, having a body top wall  
3   defining said outer surface top portion, a body side wall defining  
4   said outer surface side portion and a body bottom wall defining  
5   said outer surface bottom portion.

          8.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
claim 7, wherein said holder body is hollow, comprising a drain  
port in said body bottom wall.

1           9.    The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 1, wherein said holder body is a solid block, and wherein  
3   said toothbrush receiving ports and said toothpaste tube receiving  
4   port open into individual upright passageways which extend  
5   downwardly and entirely through said holder body.

1           10.   The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 8, additionally comprising at least one elevation projection  
3   extending downwardly from said holder body for elevating said  
4   holder body.

1           11.   The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 10, wherein said elevation projection comprises a continuous  
3   loop peripheral elevation projection for retaining underneath said  
4   holder body any water draining from said holder body through said  
5   drain port.

1           12.   The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 11, wherein said elevation projection comprises a downwardly  
3   projecting bottom rim.

1           13.   The combination tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder of  
2   claim 1, wherein said holder body is formed of plastic.

1           14. An apparatus for dental hygiene, comprising:  
2           a tooth brush;  
3           a toothpaste tube;  
4           and tooth brush and toothpaste tube holder, comprising a  
5 holder body having a holder body outer surface made up of an outer  
6 body surface top portion, an outer surface side portion and an  
7 outer body surface bottom portion; at least one toothbrush  
8 receiving port opening through said holder body outer surface into  
9 said holder body and sized in diameter to receive a correspondingly  
10 sized toothbrush and extending to a sufficient depth to retain the  
11 toothbrush; and at least one toothpaste tube receiving port opening  
12 through said holder body outer surface into said holder body and  
13 sized in diameter to receive a correspondingly sized toothpaste  
14 tube and extending to a sufficient depth to retain the toothpaste  
15 tube.